October 19, 1959

Dr. Robert H. Alway, Dean Stanford University School of Medicine Stanford, California

Dear Doctor Alway:

I should like to report to you that your and Dr. Lederberg's request for a grant-in-aid of the newly formed Genetics Department at Stanford was further considered by the Board of Scientific Advisers at its meeting on October 16, 1959. The very adequate materials received since the last meetings of the Board were in hand for this meeting. I regret to say that the Board was unable to recommend favorable action to the Board of Managers on the request.

I may report that the Board as a whole was very sympathetic to the exciting changes that are taking place at Stanford. However, in its opinion, the Fund is not in a position at present to provide effective support for such a large, general program. Please be assured that this Fund stands ready to give careful consideration to any requests for specific research projects in cancer research that may arise in the Department of Genetics or other Departments of the medical school.

Sincerely yours,

L. L. Waters, M.D. Acting Director

Board of Scientific Advisers

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cc: Dr. Lederberg